THE REPORTER

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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October
2026
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October 4
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
CROP WALK
Dr. Anne C. S. Marshall
Choosing Curiosity Over Judgment
Acts 8:26-40

October 11
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Dr. Anne C.S. Marhall
When God Changes Our Minds
Isaiah 56:1-8; Acts 11:1-18

October 18
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Dr. Anne C.S. Marshall
Building on Christ
1 Corinthians 3:1-15

October 25
HARVEST FEST
Rev. Sarah A. Bishop
Our Ancestors' Faithfulness
Ruth 4:9-17; Romans 3:19-28

STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Join us on October 18 as we kick-off our **Growing into God's Future: Rooted in Faith, Growing in Hope** worship series. We will reflect on the ways that God has provided a foundation for us in Jesus Christ, that generations have been building on. We have benefited from the faith of those who have come before us and our faithful actions will impact the generations that come after us. Let us consider what God is inviting us to dream and do. During this stewardship season we welcome your prayer for Westminster that God might continue to lead and inspire us in ministry. We also invite you to pray, asking God, "What might you do through me?"

On **All Saints Sunday, November 1,** we invite you to bring your pledge card with you to be dedicated as part of our worship service. After worship, we will share in a time of fellowship with a light reception in Parish Hall. If you are not able to attend worship on November 1, we encourage you to return your pledge card to the church office or fill out an online pledge by scanning the QR code or choose 2027 Stewardship Campaign at www. wpcspi.org/giving.

Core Stewardship Committee Members Include: Brad Swanson, Chair, Cathy Brower, Christie Hovey, and Maggie Pinke. We give thanks for those who will provide written and spoken reflections during our stewardship series, who stuff envelopes, and who place follow-up phone calls.

ANNUAL YOUTH SPUD BAKE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

As the great…, well, no worries about who originally said it; it is still true for Westminster's Annual Youth Spud Bake, "Buy a Spud and share God's love." On **Sunday October 18**, our youth will sell loaded baked potatoes to raise funds for the Contact Ministries Christmas gift distribution.

Come to the West Narthex, before and after worship, to place your individual order for a potato: sweet or Idaho, with toppings of your choice. Each potato will continue to be sold at the low, low price of **$5.00.** (Where else can you find such a deal?!?)

Sunday Small Groups are encouraged to place their group order before worship and all can pick up their "to go" potato to take with them to the meeting.

Westminster extends its thanks to Mary Ray, Ministry Partners, and youth who bake fresh potatoes! To those who will load them individually for you, be sure to thank them, too! All remaining potatoes or incorrect orders will be delivered to those in the community without lunch that day. Come and get your spud and share God's love!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

On Sunday, October 11, the congregation will hold a brief congregational meeting directly after worship for the purpose of electing Elders, Deacons and members for Strategic Planning Committee. (See page 7 for the nomination list.)

SAVE THE DATE!
CHURCH OFFICER ORIENTATION – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AFTER WORSHIP

From The Pastor

We continue to take steps in strengthening our ministry and responding to the feedback received in phase one of our mission study. Below are updates on progress in a few areas:

Interim Care Coordinator

Over the last six months, we have been blessed to have Sue Sawers serve at Westminster as our part-time Interim Care Coordinator. She has been writing cards, making phone calls, and visiting those in hospitals or care facilities to provide support and prayer to members who could use encouragement.

If you would like to request a visit or call for yourself or to let us know of someone who could use a check-in, you can connect with Sue directly by emailing carecoordinator@wpcspi.org or you can call or text her cell phone 217-299-4022.

If you would like to help us extend our reach in caring for our members by writing a note of encouragement or visiting a homebound member, please contact Sue so she can let you know how you can help.

Communications

We are in the process of working with a communications consultant to create a holistic communication strategy and work towards hiring a communications specialist to help us with internal communications and expand our messaging online.

We have unfortunately hit a roadblock with our move to a new church app. We are now investigating a different church app solution and will let you know when we have a timeline for implementation.

Strengthening Relationships

Our All-Church Picnic was a joyful intergenerational fellowship event. Many thanks to our Membership Committee, Deacons' Congregational Fellowship Committee, Pat Hymans, Hospitality Coordinator, and other staff to coordinate it. The weather cooperated, and we had an incredible turn-out. Based on the success of the All-Church Picnic, the staff have been making plans for Harvest Fest and our Advent Celebration in hopes that we can continue opportunities for joyful all-ages gatherings.

Stay tuned in the coming months for ways you can participate in strengthening our ministry at Westminster.

In Christ,

Rev. Anne C.S. Marshall

Property Update

We are in the process of updating the heating and cooling in the library and print room. We have removed the suspended ceiling in the print room and are anticipating the new HVAC system being installed soon. We then will paint the print room, add new flooring, window covering, and new lighting.

The carpets in the West Narthex and Parish Hall have been shampooed by the team of MASCO.

(Pictures on the right) - Small Group Book Study started out strong on Sunday September 27.

Adult Education

Thursday Night Bible Study

Eleanor & Lyle VanDeventer invite members & friends to join them on **Thursdays from 5:45-6:45 p.m.** in the Second Floor Classroom. Come see what it's about!

- Fall – 9 week study called *Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments* by Eugenia Anne Gamble. This study will be completed on November 19.
- No class on October 8
- A new study will start in January.

Adult Education Forum

During the month of October there will not be an Adult Education Forum. Instead, small groups will meet to discuss the book "Love Your Neighbor" by Katherine M. Douglass and Brittany M. Tausen. If you are not signed up for one of the small groups, Dr. Marshall will lead an impromptu discussion at 11:15 in the front half of Parish Hall on the theme of the week. You do not need to read the book to participate in the discussion. On October 25th, all are encouraged to spend time in fellowship for the Harvest Fest in Parish Hall.

Apostles' Read Library Book Group
Tuesday, October 27

The Apostles' Read Library Book Group meets Tuesday, October 27 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Ziegler Library to discuss Theo of Golden by Ray Allen Levi. New members are always welcome! Led by Dr. Aaron Berkowitz.

Wednesday Night Dungeons & Dragons
Wednesday, October 7 & 21, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

An intergenerational group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month to play Dungeons & Dragons. New members are always welcome! No experience needed. Our campaign is historically based and is currently set in 26 CE and the party is about to arrive in Jerusalem! **Currently seeking new members! Questions, contact Dr. Aaron Berkowitz.**

Music Notes by Dale T. Rogers

The British Are Coming! Come listen to a program of English organ music presented by John W.W. Sherer on **Sunday, October 4 at 4:00 p.m.** John was the organist at the Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago for 28 years before moving to Rochester, New York, where he is the organist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. John has been hailed by critics as a "terrific musician, a pronounced virtuoso who plays with assurance, authority, and superb energy."

The Westminster Choir Continues to prepare music for every Sunday morning as well as in preparation for the Christmas season each Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Music Room. **On Sunday, October 18** the choir will gather at the home of Scott and Susan Day for a Wiener Roast and Potluck.

The Westminster Children's Choir, our choir for singers in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade, rehearses Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Music Room.

Church Mice Our musical experience for infants through age four, meets on Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m. in the Second Floor Classroom. The program, based on the Music Together curriculum, is open to WPC members and members of the Springfield community.

ON MY OWN TIME: An exhibit of collections and hobbies will be held **Sunday, November 8.** Consider displaying something you collect, such as porcelain figures, Barbie dolls, Hot Wheels, fountain pens, or similar items. Bring your collection to Parish Hall on Saturday morning, November 7 to set up your display on tables. The exhibit will be on view on Sunday morning, November 8 until noon. Registration forms will be in the bulletin on October 18 or contact Dale Rogers at the church.

This is an example of one of the past displays.

Congregational Care at Westminster

Home Communion – If you are unable to attend worship and would like to receive Communion at home on **Sunday October 4,** please contact Sue Sawers or the church office.

Westminster would also like to extend our care to congregational members homebound or in nursing facilities, so f you would like to visit with people in person who aren't able to get out, Sue Sawers, Interim Care Coordinator would love to help you get involved! Email her at carecoordinator@wpcspi.org.

Opportunities to Serve

ANNUAL CROP HUNGER WALK

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

1:30 P.M. WALK AT THIRD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The walk begins at Third Presbyterian (1030 N. Seventh). Check-in begins at 1:00 p.m. with a start time of 1:30 p.m.

The 2.5-mile route will take an average walker less than one hour to complete. Park in the Third Presbyterian parking lot at Bergen and 7th Streets. Of the money raised, 25% goes to our local food pantries, the remainder fights hunger worldwide. Local food pantries receiving funds include Grace Lutheran, Kumler Outreach Ministries, and local Little Pantries. Members are invited to support WPC youth walking or join this symbolic journey. Every walker will receive a T-shirt.

Contact Becky Martin or Krista Steller for more information. Bill Deemer serves as the Walk's treasurer. Donations can be made online by using the QR code to support Westminster Walkers or make a check out to WPC with "CROP Walk" in the memo line.

Mission and Community Service

The Mission and Community Service Committee met on September 2 and approved several grants including: $4,500 grant to Helping Hands and from the Betty Smith Mission Endowment: $5,000 for CROP Hunger Walk and $10,000 grant to provide disaster relief for the flooding in Nepal. There was continuing conversation about organizing an international mission for 2027 perhaps in Guatemala.

Hunger Ministries at Westminster

Helping Hands Lunches & Dinners Prepared. Members of Westminster's Hunger Action Team met Friday, September 11 to prepare bagged lunches that were delivered to Helping Hands' shelter. Dedicated Hunger Fighters including Georgina Hudspeth, Judy Knox, Becky Martin, Judy Prillaman, Sue Sawers, and Julie Robbs prepared and delivered the lunches.

On Wednesday, September 23, Pat Hymans, Melanie Green, and Krista Steller gathered to prepare a hot meal of macaroni and cheese with ham and peas to serve 70 along with coleslaw, rolls, fruit, and cookies. Marc Anderson faithfully provides milk every month. Call Pat Hymans for information about preparing a meal.

Give-a-Meal-a-Month:

Canned chili or soup with pop tops, biscuit mix, and 100% juice or water canned fruit. Items in High Demand: *feminine hygiene products, shampoo, diapers & wipes, granola / nutri-grain / breakfast bars, individual cereal packs, soap*

Graham School Little Pantry - Join the many Westminster members who share in filling the Graham School Little Pantry. Signup is on the website or use this QR code.

October Earth Care Tip - What are you going to be for Halloween? Instead of buying a superhero costume made in China, why not see what ideas you can get at Goodwill, the Salvation Army, and Creative Reuse Marketplace in White Oaks Mall? Capes, hats, interesting fabric, baggy overalls, a karate outfit, a leopard print t-shirt? Plastic swords, a helmet? Canoe paddle? Look at that African mask! Plus, it could be a fun family outing. And most are more reasonably priced compared to new costumes.

All-Church Picnic – September 13, 2026

Sacrament of Baptism

On Sunday, September 6, Rev. Sarah Bishop had the honor of baptizing Thomas Robert Newman. His parents, Adrienne and Kyle Newman, and big brother Hudson presented him for the Sacrament of Baptism. Representing the children of the congregation were Diana and Zach Choi, with Jeanne VanGieson serving as assisting elder.

As we begin our new program year, Dr. Marshall introduced our all-church book study of “Love Thy Neighbor” during the Adult Education Forum on Sunday, September 20.

Our Men’s Breakfast Group toured Midwest Technical Institute (MTI) for an insightful visit, followed by breakfast together at Parkway Café.

The September DMA program was presented by Carole and Jay Kennerly. They spent two weeks teaching children in the Cook Islands and shared a fantastic slideshow highlighting their experience. They gave us a wonderful glimpse into their time working with the children, exploring the islands, and learning about Māori culture. Here are some of the photos from their presentation.

Family Ministry by the Rev. Sarah Bishop
Youth Ministry by Mary A. Ray

Sunday, October 4 at 1:15 p.m. Third Presbyterian Church of Springfield

Youth will meet at Third Presbyterian Church at 1:00 p.m. to begin the walk at 1:30 p.m. joining other fellow CROP walkers in the Springfield area to walk in solidarity with those who are hungry around the globe. Please wear your Westminster or youth mission trip T-shirts.

The Annual Spud Bake
Sunday, October 18

On Sunday, October 18, Junior and Senior High Youth will gather in the kitchen from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to prepare baked Russet and sweet potatoes with your favorite toppings to raise funds for the Contact Ministries Christmas Gift Distribution.

SAVE THE DATE: We will shop on Sunday, December 6 to share God's love with other youth in need using the donations received from the Spud Bake Sale.

YOUTH GROUPS

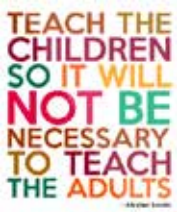
Junior High Youth Group
Wednesday, October 21 5:30-7:00 p.m. Youth Room

Junior High (6-8 grades) youth will gather once a month for dinner, fellowship, games, and Bible study in the Youth Room. The meal will be provided by Meridith and Jim Bryans. Ministry Partners: Dr. Aaron Berkowitz, Rev. Sarah Bishop, Cathy Brower, and Tara Fritsch

Senior High Youth Group
Sunday, October 11 & 25 5:00-6:30 p.m. Parish Hall

Senior High youth (grades 9-12) will gather in Parish Hall for fellowship/games and dinner followed by Bible Study in the Youth Room. The meal on October 11 will be provided by Dana and Andrew Affrunti. The meal on October 25 will be provided by Katy and Toshi Maeda. Mentors: Tad Allen, Rev. Sarah Bishop, Cathy Brower, Susan Day, Mary Ray

Children of Abraham 2026-2027 Dates



Children and Youth (Kindergarten through High School) are invited to the first gathering of Children of Abraham on five Wednesdays in 2026 into 2027. This year's theme is "Rooted in Faith." Mark your calendar for the four remaining Wednesday gatherings: November 11 at Westminster, February 17 at Grace United Methodist, April 14 at First Presbyterian and May 5 at Temple B'rith Sholom.

Sunday Youth Schedule
10:15 a.m. Grades 6 -7 Confirmation – Conference Room
11:15 a.m. Grade 8 Confirmation – Conference Room
5:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group – Bi-monthly

Children's Ministry by Meleah Berkowitz
World Communion Sunday, October 4
Bridges Children Process With Breads of the World

Bridges Children (Grades 3-5) will process during the 10:00 a.m. voluntary Siyahamba, "a Zulu Melody," with the breads of the world as we celebrate World Communion Sunday and lead the Call to Worship. The Communion table will be adorned with African textiles, a gift of the late Andrea Butler.

A friendly reminder: our children will be staying in worship for the entire service as we encourage our upper elementary children to participate in communion.

Children's Sunday School Offering
The children of the congregation voted at the All-Church Picnic what animal to purchase for people in need with their Sunday School offering. Last year, the children purchased three pairs of goats through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog.

This year, the children selected A RABBIT HUTCH AND TWO RABBITS. To raise funds for this gift, children are encouraged to give an offering every Sunday during Children's Sermons. Follow our tracking poster to see how close we are throughout the year!

Bridges Mid-week Fellowship
2026-2027 Theme: Curious Hearts

Children in Grades 3-5 are invited to Bridges on Wednesdays from 5:00 – 5:45 p.m. This fellowship bridges friendships among our children and across generations. It also includes mission projects and interfaith gatherings. Bridges will continue using the *Living the Word* curriculum from Spirit & Truth Publishing. This curriculum will take our Bridges children through the Bible from Genesis through the New Testament over the course of the school year.

We are still in need of Advocates for the upcoming year, please reach out to Meleah Berkowitz if interested in serving.
Leaders: Meleah Berkowitz, Rev. Sarah Bishop, and Pat Roller

Westminster Cooperative Preschool
We are off and rolling on a fantastic year of preschool! Our students have loved connecting with old friends, while also meeting lots of new ones, and the classroom is always full of joy, curiosity, and a little bit of mess. We are incredibly grateful to Gary Warnick and WPC's custodial staff for supporting the children's creativity while keeping our classroom clean and safe. Our first fundraiser for the year will be Macaroni Fest- join us on, Monday October 5 for a delicious dinner, crafts and activities, and live music! Orders can be taken by following this QR code to enjoy that evening here or to go.

Sunday Children's Schedule
9:45 a.m. Nursery for Children Birth – Age 3
10:15 a.m. Sunday School follows the Children's Sermon for ages Preschool - Grade 5

Fellowship Opportunities

Knit 2 Purl 4 Mission and Fellowship gathers on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Classroom. Knitters, members or friends of any skill level are welcome. Please turn in knitted items to Sue Cull, Mary Jo Jenkins, or the church office. Cold weather items (warm hats, mittens, and scarves) are needed. Questions? Contact Mary Jo Jenkins at 217-622-8657.

Ruth and Naomi meets on Wednesday, October 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Linda Purves (6 N. Cotton Hill Lane, 62711). Christy Pound will lead the discussion of Chapter 2 in An Alter in the World: A Geography of Faith by Barbara Brown Taylor. RSVP directly to Linda Purves at 409-651-4701.

Elizabeth Circle meets on Monday, October 5 at 1:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Classroom and will study Lesson 2, from the PW Horizons Bible Study United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other by Rhonda Mawhood Lee. Circle Contact: Lynn McMenamin

Lydia Circle resumes on Tuesday, October 20 at 9:30 a.m. in the Library and will study Lesson 2, from the PW Horizons Bible Study United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other by Rhonda Mawhood Lee. Circle Contact: Nancy Canady

Men's Breakfast meets on the second Thursday, October 8 at 8:00 a.m. Chuck Martin, owner and executive director, will speak about the history of Christian County Coal Mine Museum in Taylorville, IL. The museum was featured on Illinois Stories and can be found on YouTube. RSVP's are helpful, but not necessary.

DMA - October 16 - DMA (Don't Mention Age) meets on the third Friday of each month with a potluck at 5:30 and program at 6:15 p.m. in Parish Hall. Program will be announced in an email in October. Attendees are invited to bring a side to share with others. An RSVP is suggested but not required either on the WPC website under fellowship or by calling the church office. If you should find yourself with time to attend and did not call or email, please come.

Recycling Opportunity - The fall IEPA Household Hazardous Waste collection is scheduled for Saturday, October 17 at Chamberlin Park (319 McCreery Ave.) in Springfield. You must preregister at the IEPA website (www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/waste-disposal) to reserve a time. Information on what is accepted is also on their website.

Nominating Committee Nominees

The following slate of nominees will be presented by the Nominating Committee at the Congregational Meeting on October 11, 2026:

Elders Class of 2029: Debbie Parker, Marci Irvine, Dee Dee Duffy, Angie Lafrenz, Bob Leffler, Dick Cordier, Scott Day, Kevin Dorsey

Elder Class of 2027: Becky Martin will fill an unexpired term for the Class of 2027

Youth Elders: Kate Bryans and William Affrunti

Board of Deacons Class of 2029: Bud Green, Richard Leary, Brian Richardson, Linda Cox, Kelly Robertson, Glenna Kniss, Mary King, Valerie Leonatti

Youth Deacon: Macklin Metzger

Strategic Planning Committee Class of 2029: Brinton Wilkey, Todd Knox, Kathy Germeraad

2027 Nominating Committee: (At large members) Julie Robbs, Jeanne Pittman, Pat Roller, Pete VanGieson

Westminster News

Milestone Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dee Tozer celebrates 97 years on October 1.
Donald Martin celebrates 90 years on October 1.
Rich Canady celebrates 92 years on October 6.
Nancy & Lon Scott celebrate 73 years on October 10.
Linda & Ed Caupert celebrate 60 years on October 22.

Wedding

Brenna Tierney and Nathaniel Brower were united in marriage on Friday, August 7 on Mackinac Island, MI.

Sarah Maddox Wagner and Karson Aherin were united in marriage on Saturday, September 19 in Springfield, IL.

In Memoriam

Mary Ann Armstrong died on Monday, September 21 in Springfield. The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are extended to her five children, Kenton Armstrong, Amy (Mike) Green, Laura (Mickey) Marks, Alice Armstrong, and Tom Armstrong; and to her three grandchildren, Ian Armstrong, Cora Armstrong, and Iris Armstrong.

New Arrival

Rosemary McMenamin-Weinberg was born August 18 to Carrie McMenamin and Charlie Weinberg in Champaign, IL Her proud siblings are Jimmy and Annie, and her delighted grandparents are Lynn and Joe McMenamin.

Prayers and Sympathy to

Dale Rogers and to Dean and Julie Rogers on the death of their brother-in-law and to Jan Throckmorton on the death of her husband, Chris Randall " Randy" Throckmorton, on Thursday, September 3 in Springfield, IL.

Amanda and Gary Neubauer on the death of his mother, Wahneetta Neubauer, on Friday, Sept. 11 in Bloomington, IL.

Choir members, friends, and family of Betty Ehrman Maletich who died on Monday, Sept. 14, 2026, in Johnson City, TN.

Jim and Meg Kontio on the death of his father, to Claire Ham and Collin Kontio on the death of their grandfather, Conrad Kontio, on Thursday, September 17 in Negaunee, MI.

Camille and Tom Massey on the death of her mother , and to Matt Massey and Anna Schiermann on the death of their grandmother, Dorothy Tucker, on Thursday, September 17 in Mason City, IL.

August Financial Report by Lisa Runkle

Thank you for your faithfulness to the ministry of Westminster. Income is higher than last year at this time, and expenses are lower than last year. However, at the end of August, expenses exceed income by $28,043. Donors will be receiving a contribution statement in early October. We encourage each one to check your giving compared to the pledge amount and make any donations before the year-end rush.

2026 Operations	Actual	Budget	Difference
Income	$ 739,906	$ 791,200	$ -51,294
Expenses	$-767,949	$- 791,200	$ 23,251
Net Total	$ -28,043	$ 0	

World Communion Offering

Supporting the World Communion Offering supports racial justice, gender justice, peacemaking, global witness, ecumenical & interfaith relations.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Church Office is closed for Columbus - Indigenous People Day on Monday, October 12

Fall Back Daylight Savings Time on Sunday, November 1.

Reformation and Harvest Sunday, October 25

We will celebrate WPC's Harvest Festival following worship. Members of all ages are invited to **wear costumes to worship** and join Westminster families in Parish Hall following the service (11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.).

Building off the fun and success of our all-church picnic, **Fall Crafts, Games, and Treats** will be available for all to share and enjoy in Parish Hall. Come ready to spend time having fun and connecting with the congregation as we celebrate the origins of Hallows' Eve in our faith tradition. Don't miss this time of creative and meaningful worship… and candy!

Special thanks to Ms. Sue Baker for being our Guest Reader in Sunday School on Reformation and Harvest Sunday, blessing the children of WPC with some fun and spooky stories and books to share!

Sing By Heart Choir Resumes
Wednesday, September 30 to November 18

Sing by Heart is a Springfield-area choral group for those with memory loss, their care givers and singers from the Springfield Choral Society who have been trained as specialized volunteers. Its goal is to minimize the impact of dementia and other forms of memory loss and create a joyful place for social connections.

The Sing by Heart choir will meet on Wednesdays beginning September 30 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in Parish Hall and continue for eight weeks. The final session on Wednesday, November 18 will feature a small performance at 11:00 a.m. for family, friends, and the public. This partnership of the Springfield Choral Society, Dale and Deborah Smith Alzheimer's Center at SIU School of Medicine and Westminster Presbyterian Church is in its third year of creative expression.

Macaroni Fest 2026

Please join the children and families of Westminster Cooperative Preschool for our annual Macaroni Fest fundraiser on **Monday, October 5, 2026**. Macaroni Fest will be from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Parish Hall and outside by the Playground. The Preschool will have some delicious mac and cheese, salad, and desserts available as a family meal. The family style dinner will be to-go, or stay with other families for games, crafts, and live music provided by Tom Irwin, Al'Maculate Conception, and the Springfield Illinois Drum Circle. All are welcome! Tickets are $30.00 for a family style dinner for four and are on sale now. Follow the QR code below to purchase tickets or go to the website https://givebutter.com/wcp-macfest-2026. Thank you for being a part of supporting the WCP and their program.

The next Reporter folding is on Wednesday, October 28 in the Second Floor Classroom.

Come fellowship with a great group of ladies & they will show you all you need to know.

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